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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-7 and add new claims 8-14, as follows:

- 8. (New) A dishwashing machine, comprising:
- a dishwashing machine housing having an internal height;
- a pair of retractable pull-out upper and lower containers mounted one above the other in said housing;

each of said retractable pull-out containers containing a dishwashing system; and